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Urban District of Matlock



# ANNUAL REPORT

of the  
Medical Officer of Health  
and  
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the year

1958

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To the Chairman and Members of the Matlock Urban District Council.

Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I present herewith my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health on the sanitary circumstances and vital statistics affecting the Urban District of Matlock for the year 1958.

The Annual Report of 1957 drew attention to the fact that micro-organisms could develop resistance to drugs which hitherto had proved lethal. In the case of venereal disease this is proving only too true. It's incidence is increasing. The remedy is obvious. The teaching that prevention is better than cure is in no way better illustrated. More than ever, education is needed. By no means can a bout on the spree always be remedied with a shot of penicillen.

The number of cases of pulmonary tuberculosis notified, although not large, has been reduced since last year. Mass radiography helps to reduce the number which otherwise might be overlooked. The slight risk involved by the use of X-Rays is more than compensated by the benefit derived for the community as a whole. One case of pulmonary tuberculosis has been notified but this type of tuberculosis is becoming increasingly rare - the odd case is bound to occur occasionally.

No case of diphtheria has been notified - the number immunised was 147 and, compared to the number of live births, viz. 235 in this district, there is room therefore for more effort on the part of parents to use the facilities provided. Mothers are alive to the necessity for immunisation and, there is no doubt the gap will be closed to a large extent in the not too distant future.

One case of puerperal pyrexia was notified and recovery was complete.

Acute Poliomyelitis, unfortunately accompanied by paralysis, accounted for one person, only one, but nevertheless one too many. Hopes are high that this dreaded disease will be exterminated by vaccination.

Measles was prevalent, more particularly in the age group 5. All the cases were apparently mild and recovery uneventful.

It is with regret one has to note five cases of food poisoning and this doubtless does not reveal the full total. Many cases never come to the notice of the victims Doctor. Recovery is usual but death has been known to occur. The record of catering establishments is excellent. The number of meals served to visitors is very great. None of the cases notified involved any place where food was sold or served. In very many private houses the lack of provision of facilities for the proper storage of food stuffs is a defect of some magnitude. The pantry may be badly situated, ill ventilated, and even too small. The provision of a refrigerator, suitably placed and large enough to meet the needs of the household, should be one aim.

Lung Cancer is high up on the list as a cause of death from this disease generally. Atmospheric pollution as a cause can no longer be ignored.

Bronchitis accounts for an even larger number of deaths, and here again atmospheric pollution is a potent factor.

Heart disease and circulatory disturbances still account for the greatest number of deaths. Generally speaking these are legacies from advancing years. Our problem, therefore, is not only to search for measures to arrest the development of old age as long as possible, but also to try and eliminate conditions likely to hasten it's onset.

No deaths occurred from acute poliomyelitis, but one has to record two deaths as a result of road accidents. Many more suffer serious injury, the end result, in some cases, proving profoundly crippling. Whilst the tremendous interest and enthusiasm shown by the public in the prevention of "polio" is encouraging, the apathy and apparent lack of interest in the prevention of road accidents is staggering. Let us hope and pray that to each one of us it may yet not prove too staggering.

My thanks to the members of the Council generally and to those members of the Health Committee in particular, for their help and encouragement during the year. My gratitude also to Officials for their ready cooperation.

Town Hall, Matlock,  
Telephone Mat. 3144

July 1959.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,  
G.L.Meachim,

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Medical Officer of Health.



CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING AGES DURING 1958.      MATLOCK DISTRICT

Disease	Under												TOTAL
	One year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	35-	45-	60-	
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
Enteric Fever:- Typhoid Para-Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil Nil Nil
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Measles	7	9	22	30	19	108	4	2	-	-	-	-	201
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
Poliomyelitis, Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Food Poisoning	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5

MATLOCK District

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Cases notified during 1958

		<u>Number of Cases</u>	
		<u>Noti- fied</u>	<u>Removed to Hospital</u>
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary		4	3
Tuberculosis - Other forms		1	-
Smallpox:-			
No. vaccinated and re-vaccinated	Nil		
No. vaccinated in infancy	Nil		
No. unvaccinated	Nil		
Scarlet Fever		8	-
Diphtheria		Nil	-
Enteric Fever:-			
Typhoid		Nil	-
Para-typhoid		Nil	-
Puerperal Pyrexia		1	1
Cerebro-spinal fever		Nil	-
Erysipelas		Nil	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum		Nil	-
Acute Encephalitis			
(a) Infective		Nil	-
(b) Post-infective		Nil	-
Acute Poliomyelitis			
(a) Paralytic		1	1
(b) Non-paralytic		-	-
Pneumonia		-	-
Measles		201	-
Whooping Cough		1	-
Food Poisoning		5	5
Meningococcal Infection		-	-

Immunisation Against Diphtheria - Children Immunised  
1958

Under 1 year.....	147
1 to 4 (incl.).....	36
5 to 14 (incl.).....	11
	<u>194</u>

# Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948

## 1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector)

1958.

	Number on Register	Inspection tations	Number of Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	23	95	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	105	83	-	-
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out- workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	128	183	-	-

## 2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

	No. of cases in which defects were found Referred Found Reme- To H.M. by H.M. died died Inspector				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	6	4	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	2	1	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) insufficient	2	1	-	3	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	10	7	-	1	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act relating to Outwork	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	20	13	-	4	-

<u>OUTWORK</u>	No. of out-workers in August list reqd by Section 110(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No. of Prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in un- wholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
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# EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS & SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

	Male.	Female.	Total.
<u>Live Births:-</u> Total	118	117	235
Legitimate	114	114	228
Illegitimate	4	3	7
<u>Still Births:-</u> Total	4	4	8
Legitimate	4	4	8
Illegitimate	-	-	-
<u>Deaths all Ages:-</u>	89	95	184
<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:-</u>			
Total	2	2	4
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	1	-	1

Live Births.....	235
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population.....	12.22
Still-births.....	8
Still-births rate per 1,000 live and still-births.....	32.79
Total live and still-births.....	243
Infant Deaths.....	4
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births -	
Total.....	12.76
Legitimate.....	13.15
Illegitimate.....	142.28
Neo Natal (first four weeks).....	Nil
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births.	2.97%
Maternal deaths (including abortion).....	Nil
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still-births	Nil
Death Rate per 1,000 population is.....	10.03
Phthisis Death Rate per 1,000 population is.....	0.05
Other Tuberculosis Deaths per 1,000 population.....	Nil
Respiratory Death Rate per 1,000 population is.....	1.06

TABLE OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND INFANT MORTALITY FOR 8 YEARS

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
Birth Rate	14.73	12.66	15.45	13.41	13.04	13.46	13.66	12.22
Death Rate all causes	13.21	10.98	10.73	11.89	12.06	11.33	10.66	10.03
Deaths under 1 year - all causes per 1,000 live births	25.73	21.46	21.05	32.25	20.83	24.39	12.00	12.76

TABLE SHOWING NUMBER OF NEW TUBERCULOSIS CASES  
IN MATLOCK AREA

TUBERCULOSIS Age Period	NEW CASES				MORTALITY			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
55	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

Causes of Death		Males	Females	Total
1.	Tuberculosis, Respiratory	-	1	1
2.	Tuberculosis, Other	-	-	-
3.	Syphilitic Disease	-	-	-
4.	Diphtheria	-	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8.	Measles	-	-	-
9.	Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	-	-	-
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	2	1	3
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, lung, bronchus	8	1	9
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, breast	-	4	4
13.	Malignant Neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-
14.	Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms	5	8	13
15.	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	-	-	-
16.	Diabetes	-	-	-
17.	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	15	24	39
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina	12	6	18
19.	Hypertension with Heart Disease	1	3	4
20.	Other heart disease	16	25	41
21.	Other Circulatory Disease	8	3	11
22.	Influenza	-	-	-
23.	Pneumonia	3	2	5
24.	Bronchitis	12	1	13
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
26.	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	-	1	1
27.	Gastritis, Enteritis & Diarrhoea	1	1	2
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	-	-
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	2	-	2
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-	-
31.	Congenital Malformations	-	-	-
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	3	7	10
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	-	2	2
34.	All other accidents	-	1	1
35.	Suicide	1	3	4
36.	Homicide	-	-	-
Total Deaths, all causes		89	95	184

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MATLOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

1958

Chairman of the Council

Councillor E.C.P.Stevens, J.P.

Vice-Chairman

Councillor O.R.Tinti, J.P., C.C.

Health Committee

Chairman: Councillor T.W.Spencer, B.E.M.

Vice-Chairman: Councillor T.N.Johnson

Councillors: S.E.Elliott

F.L.Farmer

P.F.George

Mrs A.M.Greatorex

E.C.P. Stevens, J.P.

J.S. Thornton

J.Turner, J.P., C.C.

L.Twigg

Mrs L.Wright

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health:-

G.Leslie Meachim, M.B., Ch. B.

Chief Public Health Inspector:-

C.Raymond Lill, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Additional Public Health Inspector:-

G. Pell-Walpole, C.R.S.H., 1 February 1958 to 31 July 1958

Herbert Maddock, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. from 22 Sept 1958

Housing Assistant:-

R.G.Childs

Clerk:-

A.S.Duncan.



## Statistical Summary

Rateable Value of General Rate at 31/3/58	£193,250
Estimated Product of a Penny Rate 1958/59	£790
Area of District	16,598 acres
Population (Estimated Mid 1958)	18,330
Number of inhabited houses	5,760
Council Houses at 1st April 1959	754
Rainfall	35.83

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To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee,  
Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my privilege to submit for your consideration my 14th Annual Report on work carried out in the Health Department.

Considerable progress has been made this year in our re-housing programme, a further 42 families have been re-housed from demolition or clearance properties, making 50 re-housed up to December 1958, a further 4 are in course of building and it has been decided that another 40 houses be commenced this year, these will go a long way, but will not complete our first five year programme ending in August 1960. Further consideration will, therefore, have to be given if the numbers set out in 1955 are to be dealt with under the Housing Acts.

Rather better progress has been made in demolition, some 17 houses having been demolished, however this is and will increasingly cause a serious problem as the majority of our demolitions are individual ones, owner/occupied, with no financial resources for demolition and there appears no doubt that to obtain demolition with satisfactory clearing of these derelict houses the Council will be almost compelled to carry out the work themselves, charging the cost to the Rate fund.

Conversion to water closets is still progressing, although rather slowly, only 28 having been completed this year.

Good old, but structurally sound, houses have again this year been considerably improved by Improvement Grants, 21 houses have been so altered and brought up to a decent standard with modern amenities. It is a great pity that more owners do not take advantage of these grants to improve tenanted property.

It is obvious from an internal survey of shop and food premises that there is no doubt at last the 1955 Food Hygiene Regulations for food shops and premises are bearing fruit, many premises have been and are being gradually brought up to the standard envisaged in the Regulations.

We have again been able to maintain a 100% meat inspection service and this together with house repairs, food inspection, factory work and smoke inspections under the Clean Air Act has taken up most of the working time of the Department.

Finally I must express thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their interest throughout the year, also to the Medical Officer of Health, Officials of other Departments for their ready cooperation and help when needed and to the Department's staff both inside and out for their help in serving the public during the operation of this vital health service.

I remain, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

Town Hall,  
Matlock.

C.R.Lill,

July 1959.

Public Health Inspector.



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Inspections made and nuisance abated	Inspections	Defects Remedied
Miscellaneous	329	132
Defective privies, pails etc	2	2
Conversion of privies to w.cs	10	3
Conversion of pails to w.cs	82	25
Conversion of privies to pails	5	5
Defective water closets	36	20
Additional water closets	11	4
Dust Bins	130	139
No disconnection of waste pipes	-	-
Waste pipes, traps, drains	61	30
Drains obstructed	57	17
Drains reconstructed	11	5
Paving of courts and yards	23	18
Roof repairs	56	24
Rain water piping and eaves	44	28
Defective sinks	30	12
Windows	89	23
Walls	73	23
Dampness	103	32
Water Supply	45	20
Premises cleaned	6	3
Offensive accumulations	7	5
Pigsties	31	8
Fireplaces and smoke	126	12
Floors	70	27
Plaster	94	34
Doors	25	8
Food Storage	14	8
	<u>1,470</u>	<u>678</u>
Housing inspections	559	
Factories, workshops & offices	183	
Dairies, distributors, samples	-	
Meat Inspection	613	
Fish and Chips	17	
Butchers	40	
Cafes etc	81	
Bakehouses	14	
Licensed Premises	62	
Food shops	37	
Food premises	576	
Ice-cream	163	
Market stalls	27	
Slaughterhouses	558	
Swimming Pools	60	
Tents, Vans, Moveable Dwellings	56	
Controlled Tip and Depot	140	
Offensive Trades	9	
	<u>3,195</u>	

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# GENERAL SANITARY ADMINISTRATION.

	No. on Register	Increase or Decrease	Inspections Made
Bakehouses	6	-3	14
Canal Boats	-	-	-
Common Lodging Houses	-	-	-
Dairies	5	-	-
Factories & Workplaces	128	-28	183
Houses let in Lodgings	-	-	-
Ice-Cream Premises	114	-9	163
Market Stalls	-	-	27
Milk Distributors	11	-2	-
Moveable Dwellings (a) Sites	10	-	13
(b) Dwellings	126	+4	56
Offensive Trades	1	-	9
Outworkers	5	-7	5
Preserved Food Stores	17	-2	15
Slaughterhouses	7	-	558
Knackers Yards	-	-	-
Swimming Baths	3	-	60
Shops	337	-	221

## SAMPLING

<u>SAMPLING</u>	No. of Samples taken	Meth. Blue			
		Sat	Unsat		
Ice Cream	66	58	8		
		<u>Meth Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
		Sat	Unsat	Sat	Unsat.
Milk (a) Routine	-	13	-	-	-
		<u>Positive</u>		<u>Negative</u>	
(b) Biological	-	-		-	
		<u>Sat.</u>		<u>Unsat.</u>	
Water (a) Mains	146	143		3	
(b) Other sources	14	2		12	
(c) Swimming Baths	32	32		-	



GENERAL SANITARY ADMINISTRATION (CONTINUED).WATER SUPPLIESEst. Pop.  
Involved.

No. of houses in district connected to mains	5457	17,462
No. of houses in district supplied from standpipes on mains	36	115
No. of houses in district not supplied from standpipes or mains	216	691
No. of connections made during year:-		
(a) existing houses	4	
(b) new houses	82	
(c) other premises	5	

DRAINAGE

No. of houses in district connected to sewers	5275	16,880
No. of houses in district not connected to sewers	407	1,303
No. of connections made during year:-		
(a) existing houses	9	
(b) new houses	82	
(c) other premises	3	
No. of conversions of other closets to w.cs	28	

HOUSING

New houses erected during year by:-

(a) Local Authority	36
(b) Private Enterprise	42
(c) Other local authorities	4

No. of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).....	559
No. of dwelling-houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.....	274
No. of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....	29
No. of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority.....	80
No. of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made...	16
No. of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders...	4
No. of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Clearance Orders...	13
No. of dwelling-houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted...	5
No. of premises in respect of which Closing Orders were made...	13
No. of Improvement Grants made during the year.....	21
No. of dwelling-houses "improved" during year.....	21



## REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

We had 2.39% of sickness and absence during 1958, a decrease from 3.70% in 1957, a very encouraging trend upwards.

### Operational Statistics

No. of premises from which refuse collected	6,164
Dustbins emptied weekly	5,148
Total refuse collected (test weighings)	6,244
Weight per 1000 population per day (365 days to year)	19.15 cwt
Density of refuse, Summer, cwt per cubic yard	4.57
Density of refuse, Winter, cwt per cubic yard	5.91

<u>Total Net Cost:-</u>	Per 1000 population	<u>Matlock</u>
	Per 1000 premises	£604
	Per ton	£1,795
		£1 15s 5d.

Disposal of the District's house and trade refuse has been carried out on the controlled tip at the Dimple Farm site, the extension area to the first section adjoining Sherriff Lane has been completely filled and covered and we are now tipping on the lower section.

Although we have had extremely wet weather we have been able to maintain a regular collection and again I think an appreciation is due to the outside staff for the loyal manner in which they have carried out their duties, oftentimes under very trying conditions.

The Municipal bin scheme is still in operation, as shown below this year shows that bins of the painted variety are becoming worn out and are having to be replaced.

	Paid	On Rates	Replacements	Total
1950	63	72	-	135
1951	61	81	-	142
1952	55	57	-	112
1953	55	39	-	94
1954	45	25	-	70
1955	37	24	2	63
1956	44	34	10	88
1957	23	67	19	109
1958	62	39	12	113
	445	438	43	926

## SALVAGE

Restrictive quotas on waste paper, although eased somewhat, have again been in operation, the bonus scheme has proved itself worthwhile, paper tonnage showing a slight increase on 1957 and still has a tendency to rise. Unfortunately, however, it has been almost impossible to dispose of baled tins and light scrap, causing a slight decrease in total income. Bonus payments for 1958/59 amounted to £640.

TABLE OF SALVAGE INCOME.

	Tons Paper	Income Paper	Tons all Salvage	Income all Salvage
1947/48	104	687	114	803
1948/49	166	1187	183	1318
1949/50	196	1354	248	1475
1950/51	203	1504	226	1555
1951/52	234	3828	260	3934
1952/53	202	1741	236	1875
1953/54	214	1545	259	1731
1954/55	210	1608	257	1789
1955/56	303	2718	359	2973
1956/57	318	2672	363	2963
1957/58	327	2763	365	3027
1958/59	333	2792	353	2858
	2810	£24399	3223	£26301

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD AND MILK DISTRIBUTION.

13 milk samples were taken by the Food and Drugs Authority and all found to be satisfactory.

The following were registered with this Authority for the year ending December 1958:-

Distributor or Dairy Premises	11
Dealers - Tuberculin Tested	29
Dealers - Pasteurised	22

Number of inspections:- 8

### Other Foods.

Forms of Voluntary Surrender of Food Unfit for Human Consumption have been issued during 1958 as follows:-

Meat (Tinned)	40 lbs	Butter	299 packets
Ham	210 lbs	Soups	8 tins
Fruit	45 tins	Cheese	30 lbs
Evap. Milk	7 tins	Fish	11 tins
Vegetables	78 tins	Tongue	6 lbs
Potatos	336 lbs	Chocolate	54 bars

54 samples of other foods were taken by the Food and Drugs Authority, including 13 milk, in the area, all samples being classed as satisfactory.

The Food and Drugs Authority results were supplied through the courtesy of the County Analyst, R.W. Sutton Esq., B.Sc., F.R.I.C., F.C.S.

<u>Food Premises</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Visits</u>
Bakehouses	6	14
Butchers Shops	19	40
Catering Establishments	45	81
Wet Fish Shops	6	17
Ice-cream Shops	114	163
General Food Shops	92	52
Licensed Premises	53	62
Market Stalls	9	27
Preserved Food	17	15
Fish & Chip Shops	8	17
Slaughterhouses	7	558
	<u>376</u>	<u>1,046</u>

The above table is included as an indication of the amount of work involved in routine inspection of food premises for sale and preparation during the year.



## OTHER FOODS (CONTINUED)

### Ice-cream

Manufacturers of Ice-cream	1
Sale of Ice-cream	114
No. of visits to the above	163

66 samples of ice-cream were taken during the year for analysis under the Methylene Blue Test and were graded as follows:-

<u>Grade I</u>	<u>Grade 2</u>	<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>
44	14	3	5

Appropriate action and resampling was carried out in all cases of unsatisfactory results.

### MARKET STALLS.

The market stalls and ground have been maintained in a clean and reasonable condition and improvements carried out at several stalls to conform with the Food Hygiene Regulations, but until we can have all open food sold in prepacked containers the sale of food for human consumption in open markets cannot be satisfactory and free from possible air borne contamination.

27 visits have been made.

### Food Hygiene Regulations.

There has been steady progress in improvement of food premises to bring them into line with the Food Hygiene Regulations.

### Bakehouses.

14 inspections have been made at the 6 Bakehouses on the register, and a good standard of cleanliness has been maintained. Successful negotiations are now bringing these up to Food Hygiene Regulation standard. Three bakehouses have closed during the year.

### Fish and Chip Shops.

17 inspections have been made at 8 shops. Again all premises with the exception of one, which has only opened intermittently, have been maintained in a reasonable manner.

### LICENSED PREMISES.

Licensed Premises in District - 47      Inspections - 57

Licensed Clubs in District - 6      Inspections - 5

Improving of washing facilities, sanitary accommodation and hygiene at these premises has again continued. 7 premises having been so improved, whilst plans have been submitted for improvements at one further licensed house.

All licensed premises with the exception of three have now had considerable improvements carried out and are now up to a very good standard.

### TENTS, VANS AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

We have sites for 126 vans and moveable dwellings licensed on 10 sites.

The moveable dwellings are maintained in a reasonable condition.

56 inspections have been made.

## HOUSING

The building of the first 54 houses to replace clearance and demolition properties is now completed, it will therefore shortly be necessary for demolition work to be commenced on more vigorous lines than in the past if we are not to suffer the unsightliness of derelict properties in various parts of the district..

## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

(1) No. of portable dustbins emptied by Council	6342	(3) Water Closets	5282
(2) Pail closets emptied by Council	258	(4) Cesspools	38

Ward	Converted since 1945	Total Earth & Pail Closets	Pails Collected by U.D.C.	PCs & ECs not Collected
Tansley	55	57	30	27
Riber	1	26	16	10
Matlock	141	38	1	37
Matlock Bath	6	16	15	1
Cromford	69	46	29	17
Bonsall	149	133	96	37
North Darley	126	108	17	91
South Darley	20	82	54	28
	567	506	258	248

Total Conversions from 1945 - 1958 = 567 as under

1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
7	26	17	24	12	71	74
1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
108	45	50	22	28	55	28

## VERMINOUS PREMISES.

3 properties were cleared and disinfected during the year.

## MEAT INSPECTION

With the usual friendly cooperation of the Dutchers we have been able again to maintain a 100% inspection of all meat killed in the District. It is observed that the increase in killing of young cattle against cows has been maintained, the percentage in 1957 was 28.88% as against 21.01% this year, a very satisfactory improvement.

Inspections show an increase in miscellaneous diseases in cattle, this being chiefly accounted for by Distomatosis (Flukes), it is understood that this increase is fairly general throughout the Country. It is pleasing to note however the decrease in Tuberculosis from 12.97% in 1957 to 8.36% in 1958, and this without doubt is due to the vigorous programme of the Ministry of Agriculture under the Tuberculosis Order of 1925. I understand that by 1960 the whole of Great Britain will be an attested area and at that time it can be assumed that bovine tuberculosis will be almost, if not altogether, eradicated

### TUBERCULOSIS %

1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
27.12	25.76	28.13	29.33	23.96	24.49	13.81	12.43	12.97	8.36

The table shows that 2,023 animals were slaughtered and inspected at our seven private slaughterhouses entailing 613 inspections. The slaughterhouses have been well maintained in a good clean condition, providing adequate slaughtering facilities for our district.

The Slaughterhouse Act 1958 came into operation in August with follow-up Regulations on 1st January 1959, these will no doubt mean work having to be done and extra facilities provided to our existing slaughterhouses to bring them up to standard.



M E A T   I N S P E C T I O N   1 9 5 8.

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows only	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	406	108	11	793	705
Number Inspected	406	108	11	793	705
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cyst Bovis</u>					
(a) Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Carcasses of which some part or organ condemned	87	39	-	74	70
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than T.B.	21.42	36.11	-	0.93	0.99
<u>Tuberculosis only:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned (including whole carcasses, if any)	4	39	-	1	9
Percentage of number inspected affected with tuberculosis	0.98	36.11	-	0.12	1.27
<u>Cyst Bovis</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned, carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-
<u>All Cattle Killed:-</u>					
Percentage of number inspected affected with tuberculosis	8.36	-	-	-	-

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

REPORT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH 1959.

	TYPE OF PROPERTY				
	Non-Agricultural				Agri- cultural
	Local Authy	Dwelling Houses	All other (including Business Premises	Total of Cols 1,2,3	
I. No. of properties in Local Authority's District	51	5760	832	6643	136
II. No. of properties in- spected as a result of:					
(a) Notification	4	12	23	39	-
(b) Survey under the Act	44	634	261	939	128
(c) Otherwise (e.g., when visited primarily for some other purpose.)	-	-	-	-	-
III. Total inspections carried out including re-inspections	226	1983	778	2987	144
IV. Number of properties in- spected (in Sec.II) which were found to be infested by:					
(a) Rats      { Major	-	-	1	1	1
{ Minor	12	36	34	82	1
(b) Mice     { Major	-	-	-	-	-
{ Minor	4	18	12	34	-
V. Number of infested properties (in Sec. IV) treated by the L.A.	13	47	37	97	2
VI. Total treatments carried out including re-treatments	37	116	65	218	3
VII. Number of notices served under Sec.4 of the Act:					
(a) Treatment	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Structural work	-	-	-	-	-
VIII. Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Sec.4 of Act	-	-	-	-	-
IX. Legal proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
X. Number of "Block" control schemes carried out	13	75	5	93	-



